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SUBJECT: CARETAKER SUPPLEMENT - CARES UPDATE OF ANBR AND ANBC

CROSS REFERENCE: MA Handbook

Operations Memo 98-51

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 15, 2001

PURPOSE

This Operations Memo describes changes that will be made to the SDX/SSI data exchange match process and system updates to ANBR and ANBC. These changes are considered to be Phase I.

Phase II changes will include the automated update of AFUI with SSI-E, federal and state SSI amounts. These changes are expected to move to production in approximately three months, and will be described in a future Operations Memo.

BACKGROUND

The current SDX/SSI data exchange (DX) match that runs at the end of each month is undergoing a significant change effective December 14, 2001. The SSI data records currently received from the Social Security Administration and the state supplement system will be processed on a weekly basis rather than in one monthly run. In addition, the matching process will be modified to no longer look at the SSI switches on ANBR, which caused individuals to be targeted if the switches did not coincide with incoming SSI data.

One of the main features in the modified SSI match will be that the SSI Letter and SSI Payment switches and associated month on ANBR will automatically be updated by the system when a change record is received for an individual. The 1619B switch and the eligibility month on

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ANBC will also be updated. For further explanation of SSI 1619(b) eligibility, use [PF1] to display the help screen for ANBC.

This means that if the SSA record indicates that the individual is eligible for 1619B benefits, the switch on ANBC will be set to Y, and the Letter switch on ANBR will be set to Y. The SSI payment switch on ANBR will be set to N. If a person is not eligible for 1619B benefits but is eligible for federal or state SSI or SSIE, the two switches on ANBR will be set to Y, and the 1619B switch on ANBC will be set to N. When a change is made on either ANBR or ANBC, the date will also be entered, using the SSI eligibility date. On both screens the system will enter a verification code of 'DX' when a switch is changed. This code will be system-enterable only. If a worker needs to change the switch settings, one the existing verification codes should be used. In the past, the verification fields on ANBC (for 1619B) and ANBR were blanked out by the system at review. This will not occur if the verification code is 'DX'.

DXSX SCREEN

The DXSX screen will be modified to more accurately reflect incoming SSI data and to display new SSI-E data from the state supplement system. There are two columns of data, each with an SSI date at the top. The left column reflects the current federal, state and SSI-E supplement payments, including recoupments for federal and state SSI. There is also a total for both the federal and state amounts. The column on the right reflects the next month's eligibility. No recoupment figures are provided in the second column. (See DXSX screen attached)

Goldberg/Kelly cases are in a specific type of appeal, which continues payments, and the SSA sends us a payment amount, but not a future eligibility amount. There will be no amounts in the second column for these cases. The MA Eligibility Code will be G and the Payment Status Code will usually be an 'Nxx'. State supplement payments are also continued for these cases. The system will be updating the SSI payment and SSI Letter switches to "Y".

These alerts will be generated during the weekly update process:

- 058 NEW SSI DATA ON DXSX/ANBR/ANBC
- 319 FYI NEW DATA ON DXSX/ANBR/ANBC
- 255 NEW SSI ELIG INFO-SEE DXSX
- 267 NEW SSI APPLIC INFO- SEE DXSX

The text for alerts 058 and 319 has been modified. The above alerts will be generated based on new records or changes received from SSA and/or the state supplement system. The match process creating the 058 alert will continue to use the federal and state current payment amounts from DXSX to compare with the SSI amount on AFUI to notify the worker of a discrepancy. Alerts will also be sent if changes are made to the ANBR and/or ANBC screens. The 255 and 267 alerts will continue to be generated as usual, to inform workers of changes in SSI eligibility and new applications.

The switches on ANBR will no longer create a disposition, because the process will be updating them based on payment status code and benefit payment provided on current records.

FIRST MATCH RUN, SUBSEQUENT RUNS

The first run of this new process will take place on December 15, 2001. At this time, all SSI individuals will be updated. Thereafter, the job will run weekly on Saturdays.

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When the 058 or 319 alert is received by workers, they should review the information, update AFUI with amount differences from DXSX, and always run SFED due to the changes made in the fields on ANBR and ANBC. These updates could affect most benefit programs or provide additional eligibility for benefits, so it is important for workers to follow through in running SFED and confirming.

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SSA STATE DATA EXCHANGE (SDX) PART-I
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                        >>>>> >>>>>
WORKER: >>>> ACTION: >>>>>>>>
                       ACTION DT: >>>>>>
PAYEE TYPE: >> CITIZEN/ALIEN CODE: > DOD: >>>>>>>
SSI DATE: >>>>>>
                      PMT STATUS: >>> >>>>>
             >>>>>>
   FED SSI: >>>>>>>
                     DENIAL DET: >>> >>>>>>
   -FED RCPM: >>>>>>
                     APPEAL DET: > >>>>>>
                     DISABL DET: > >>>>>>
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  STATE SSI: >>>>>>
  -STATE RCPM: >>>>>>
                     FS APPL DT: >>>>>
TOTAL STATE RCVD: >>>>>>
                     ELIG BEG DT: >>>>>>
    DIR DEP CD: >
PF13-DXUS PF14-DXRU PF15-DXSA PF16-DXRL PF17-ANSP PF18-PART II PF19-DXSN
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LEGEND:

> = Output only field

< = Input only field

+ = Input/Output field

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